



BOARD OF ANIMAL SERVICES COMMISSIONERS  
CITY OF LOS ANGELES

**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**  
**Tuesday, August 11, 2015**  
**10:00 AM**

LOS ANGELES CITY HALL, ROOM 1060  
200 NORTH SPRING STREET  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012

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**REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING**

- 1. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD** - (Comments from the public on items of public interest within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction that are not on the Agenda; two minutes per speaker).

**Public Comments:** The Brown Act prohibits the Board and staff from responding to the speakers' comments. Some of the matters raised in public comment may appear on a future agenda.

- 2. COMMISSION BUSINESS**

- A.** Approval of the Minutes for the Meeting of July 28, 2015 (Action Item; public comment limited to one minute per speaker).

**3. ORAL REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER** (Public comment limited to one minute per speaker).

**4. COMMISSIONERS' ORAL REPORTS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS** (Public comment limited to one minute per speaker).

**5. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**A.** Follow-up Discussion re Proposal for a Pilot Program to Allow Select Volunteers Access to a Shelter on Mondays (Public comment limited to one minute per speaker)

**6. BOARD REPORTS**

**A.** Board Report re Increase in Monetary Value of Spay/Neuter Vouchers (Action Item tabled from July 28, 2015 meeting. Public comment limited to two minutes per speaker)

**B.** Animal Welfare Trust and Animal Sterilization Fund Balances and Update on Approved Expenditures (Public comment limited to one minute per speaker)

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

Next Commission Meeting is scheduled for 10:00 a.m., August 25, 2015, at City Hall, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor, Room 1060, 200 North Spring Street, Los Angeles, California 90012.

**AGENDAS** - The Board of Animal Services Commissioners (Board) meets regularly every second (2<sup>nd</sup>) and fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) Tuesday of each month at 10:00 A.M. Regular Meetings are held at City Hall, 200 North Spring Street, Room 1060, in Los Angeles, CA 90012. Evening Meetings are held in various locations throughout the City, from 7:00 to approximately 9:30 P.M. The agendas for Board meetings contain a brief general description of those items to be considered at the meetings. Board Agendas are available at the Department of Animal Services (Department), Administrative Division, 200 North Spring Street, 19<sup>th</sup> Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90012. Board Agendas may also be viewed on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Public Bulletin Board in City Hall East, 200 North Main Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012. Internet users may also access copies of present and prior agenda items, copies of the Board Calendar, MP-3 audio files of meetings as well as electronic copies of approved minutes on the Department's World Wide Web Home Page site at <http://www.laanimalservices.com/CommissionAgendas.htm>

Three (3) members of the Board constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Some items on the Agenda may be approved without any discussion.

The Board Secretary will announce the items to be considered by the Board. The Board will hear the presentation on the topic and gather additional information from Department Staff. Once presentations have finished, the Board President will ask if any Board Member or member of the public wishes to speak on one or more of these items. Each speaker called before the Commission will have one (1) minute to express their comments and concerns on matters placed on the agenda. (For certain agenda items, speakers will have two (2) minutes.)

**PUBLIC INPUT AT BOARD MEETINGS** – **Public Participation on Agenda Items.** Members of the public will have an opportunity to address the Board on agenda items after the item is called and before the Board

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takes action on the item, unless the opportunity for public participation on the item was previously provided to all interested members of the public at a public meeting of a Committee of the Board and the item has not substantially changed since the Committee heard the item. When speaking to an agenda item other than during Public Comment (see Public Comment below), the speaker shall limit his or her comments to the specific item under consideration (California Government Code, Section 54954.3).

**Public Comment.** The Board will provide an opportunity for public comment at every regular meeting of the Board. Members of the public may address the Board on any items within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board as part of Public Comment.

**Speaker Cards.** Members of the public wishing to speak are to fill out one speaker card for each agenda item on which they wish to speak and present it to the Board secretary **before** the item is called.

**Time Limit for Speakers.** Speakers addressing the Board will be limited to one (1) minute of speaking time for each agenda item except during general public comment period which is limited to two (2) minutes per speaker. (For certain agenda items, speakers will have two (2) minutes each.). The Chairperson, with the approval of a majority of the Board, may for good cause extend any speaker's time by increments of up to one (1) minute.

**Brown Act.** These rules shall be interpreted in a manner that is consistent with the Ralph M. Brown Act, California Government Code Section § 54950 et seq.

**STANDARDS OF CONDUCT.** Speakers are expected to behave in an orderly manner and to refrain from personal attacks or use of profanity or language that may incite violence.

All persons present at Board meetings are expected to behave in an orderly manner and to refrain from disrupting the meeting, interfering with the rights of others to address the Board and/or interfering with the conduct of business by the Board.

In the event that any speaker does not comply with the foregoing requirements, or if a speaker does not address the specific item under consideration, the speaker may be ruled out of order, their speaking time forfeited and the Chairperson may call upon the next speaker.

The Board, by majority vote, may order the removal from the meeting of any speaker or audience member continuing to behave in a disruptive manner after being warned by the Chairperson regarding their behavior. Section 403 of the California Penal Code states as follows: "Every person who, without authority of law, willfully disturbs or breaks up any assembly or meeting that is not unlawful in its character, other than an assembly or meeting referred to in Section 302 of the Penal Code or Section 18340 of the Elections Code, is guilty of a misdemeanor."

**VOTING AND DISPOSITION OF ITEMS** – Most items require a majority vote of the entire membership of the Board (3 members). When debate on an item is completed, the Board President will instruct the Secretary to "call the roll". Every member present must vote for or against each item; abstentions are not permitted unless there is a Conflict of Interest for which the Board member is obliged to abstain from voting. The Secretary will announce the votes on each item. Any member of the Board may move to "reconsider" any vote on any item on the agenda, except to adjourn, suspend the Rules, or where an intervening event has deprived the Board of jurisdiction, providing that said member originally voted on the prevailing side of the item. The motion to "reconsider" shall only be in order once during the meeting, and once during the next regular meeting. The member requesting reconsideration shall identify for all members present the Agenda number and subject matter previously voted upon. A motion to reconsider is not debatable and shall require an affirmative vote of three members of the Board.

When the Board has failed by sufficient votes to approve or reject an item, and has not lost jurisdiction over the matter, or has not caused it to be continued beyond the next regular meeting, the issue is again placed

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on the next agenda for the following meeting for the purpose of allowing the Board to again vote on the matter.

**DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL SERVICES  
STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSES  
FUND 842- ANIMAL STERILIZATION FUND (ASF)  
For the period July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015**

	July 1- May 31, 2015	June 1-30, 2015	(A + B = C)
	<b>YTD Revenue (A)</b>	<b>Current Month (B)</b>	<b>Total (C)</b>
<b>Revenue</b>			
Spay and Neuter Fees (\$7 for sterilized; \$2 for intact)	\$595,451.39	\$334,924.87	\$930,376.26
Donations & Contributions	366,233.79	23,549.88	\$389,783.67
General Fund Subsidy (\$546,000 total for 2014-15)	499,783.00	45,435.00	\$545,218.00
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$1,461,468.18</b>	<b>\$403,909.75</b>	<b>\$1,865,377.93</b>
	<b>YTD Expenses (A)</b>	<b>Current Month (B)</b>	<b>Total (C)</b>
<b>Expenses/Encumbrances</b>			
Spay and Neuter Program	\$992,500.20	\$144,392.60	\$1,136,892.80
Transfer to General Fund (for administrative support of the s/n program)			\$0.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$992,500.20</b>	<b>\$144,392.60</b>	<b>\$1,136,892.80</b>
<b>Net Income (Loss)</b>	<b>\$468,967.98</b>	<b>\$259,517.15</b>	<b>\$728,485.13</b>
Cash Balance, beginning , 05/01/2015			\$4,350,824.35
Cash Balance, end, 05/31/2015			<b>\$4,764,815.50</b>
Dog/Cat Spay & Neuter Deposits	\$60,636.50		\$60,636.50
Pet Adoption Deposit	\$1,460,597.41		\$1,460,597.41
ASPCA Grant <sup>1</sup>	\$75,000.00		\$75,000.00
ASPCA Grant 3A <sup>3</sup>	\$0.00		\$0.00
Fund Balance Residual Encumbrance <sup>2</sup>	\$1,139,898.93	\$413,991.15	\$1,553,890.08
Unrestricted & Undesignated Fund Balance	\$946,180.24		\$946,180.24
Residual Equity Transfer <sup>4</sup>	\$668,511.27		\$668,511.27
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,350,824.35</b>	<b>\$413,991.15</b>	<b>\$4,764,815.50</b>

<sup>1</sup> Represents ASPCA grant received to pay for New Hope adoption fees

<sup>2</sup> Represents net spendable and available funds in the current year

<sup>3</sup> Represents ASPCA Grant 3A received to pay for New Hope adoption fees for 8,200 adoption pulls @\$40/pull=\$328,000

<sup>4</sup> Fund 543 (\$668,137.27) and Fund 841 (\$374) were closed. Proceeds went to Animal Sterilization Fund.

**DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL SERVICES  
SCHEDULE OF DONATIONS & CONTRIBUTIONS  
FUND 842- ANIMAL STERILIZATION FUND (ASF)  
For the period July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015**

	July 1- May 31, 2015	June 1-30, 2015	(A + B = C)
	<b>YTD Revenue (A)</b>	<b>Current Month (B)</b>	<b>Total (C)</b>
<b>Donations &amp; Contributions</b>			
Donations via direct solicitation	1,235.33	494.99	1,730.32
Donation -- Big Fix	7,337.37	770.00	8,107.37
Donations -- \$250 and below	24,983.09	15,265.89	40,248.98
California Community Foundation -- Nellie Rhode Trust	0.00		0.00
Grant-ASPCA <sup>2</sup> -New Hope Adoption	25,000.00		25,000.00
Grant-ASPCA 3A-New Hope Adoption	304,000.00		304,000.00
Online Donations	3,678.00	7,019.00	10,697.00
<b>Total Donations &amp; Contributions</b>	<b>366,233.79</b>	<b>23,549.88</b>	<b>389,783.67</b>

**DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL SERVICES  
SCHEDULE OF SPAY AND NEUTER EXPENSES  
FUND 842- ANIMAL STERILIZATION FUND (ASF)  
For the period July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015**

	July 1- May 31, 2015	June 1-30, 2015	(A + B = C)
Amanda Foundation (\$500,000 mobile spay/neuter contract)	\$230,050.00	\$21,810.00	\$251,860.00
Value Vet (\$500,000 contract for WLA s/n clinic)	\$43,588.00		\$43,588.00
SNP LA ( \$500,000 contract for Harbor s/n clinic)	\$97,918.40	\$59,138.80	\$157,057.20
SNP LA ( \$500,000 contracts for East Valley s/n clinic)	\$132,489.80	\$8,780.80	\$141,270.60
ASPCA (\$500,000 contract for SLA clinic)	\$132,499.00	\$13,540.00	\$146,039.00
Other participating vets	\$355,955.00	\$41,123.00	\$397,078.00
<b>Total S/N Program</b>	<b>\$992,500.20</b>	<b>\$144,392.60</b>	<b>\$1,136,892.80</b>

**DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL SERVICES**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSES**  
**Fund 859 - ANIMAL WELFARE TRUST FUND (AWTF)**  
**For the period July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015**

	July 1- May 31, 2015	June 1-30, 2015	(A + B = C)
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>Yr-to-Date (A)</b>	<b>Curr Mo (B)</b>	<b>Total (A + B = C)</b>
Interest Income	\$15,823.16	\$3,816.40	\$19,639.56
Donations & Contributions	\$266,728.50	\$88,505.71	\$355,234.21
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$282,551.66</b>	<b>\$92,322.11</b>	<b>\$374,873.77</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Printing & Binding -Volunteer Program	\$2,380.35		\$2,380.35
Travel -Registration Fee -HSUS M.Salazar	\$1,702.70	\$202.13	\$1,904.83
Travel -Registration Fee -Animal Alliance - Dedeaux, Mitchell & Quintero	\$750.00		\$750.00
Travel -Cash Advance -Animal Alliance - Dedeaux, Mitchell & Quintero	\$1,852.00	\$175.21	\$2,027.21
Travel -Cash Advance -Chameleon Training -Ball	\$2,500.00		\$2,500.00
Travel -Registration Fees - 2014 NMHP (7 STAFF)	\$1,732.50		\$1,732.50
Phils Ensley-Elephant Vet services	\$5,826.54		\$5,826.54
ASPCA -Pitbulls/Chihuahua Incentive Program - Wags and Walk	\$2,100.00		\$2,100.00
ASPCA -Pitbulls/Chihuahua Incentive Program - Wags and Walk	\$1,600.00		\$1,600.00
Playgroup Shelter Training - Bound Angels	\$11,400.00		\$11,400.00
CEQA - Proposed "Cat Program" study	\$157.92		\$157.92
Rabbit Cages for Harbor Shelter	\$7,081.17		\$7,081.17
Harbor Video equipment	\$303.02		\$303.02
Pole Traps - SMART	\$2,020.65		\$2,020.65
Horse Sling	\$4,939.52		\$4,939.52
GPS Navigator	\$2,452.50		\$2,452.50
Becker Sling	\$1,938.02		\$1,938.02
GPS Navigator		\$17,985.00	\$17,985.00
Smart Equipment		\$16,023.28	\$16,023.28
Kennel Tags	\$185.30	\$109.00	\$294.30
GSD (pays for Council approved alterations/improvements)	\$497.88		\$497.88
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$51,420.07</b>	<b>\$34,494.62</b>	<b>\$85,914.69</b>
<b>Net Income (Loss):</b>	<b>\$231,131.59</b>	<b>\$57,827.49</b>	<b>\$288,959.08</b>
<b>Cash Balance, beginning 06/01/15</b>			<b>\$1,943,787.48</b>
<b>Cash Balance, end 06/30/15</b>			<b>\$2,001,454.95</b>

**DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL SERVICES**  
**SCHEDULE OF DONATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS**  
**Fund 859 - ANIMAL WELFARE TRUST FUND (AWTF)**  
**For the period July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015**

	Beg Balance Yr-to-Date (A)	June 1-30, 2015 Curr Mo (B)	(A + B = C) Total (A + B = C)
<b>UNRESTRICTED DONATIONS</b>			
AVAILABLE	\$1,140,326.92	\$20,580.46	\$1,160,907.38
RESTITUTION FOR ANIMAL CRUELTY	\$12,962.38	\$3,774.76	\$16,737.14
COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE FUND	\$1,525.50	\$100.00	\$1,625.50
AWARDS & REFRESHMENTS	\$433.00		\$433.00
<b>TOTAL UNRESTRICTED DONATIONS</b>	<b>\$1,155,247.80</b>	<b>\$24,455.22</b>	<b>\$1,179,703.02</b>
<b>RESTRICTED DONATIONS</b>			
WEST VALLEY SHELTER (Shelter maintenance)	\$33,258.68	\$2,599.41	\$35,858.09
HARBOR SHELTER "	\$28,287.76	\$1,730.11	\$30,017.87
NORTH CENTRAL SHELTER "	\$30,170.76	\$7,002.80	\$37,173.56
SOUTH LA SHELTER "	\$21,988.64	\$828.50	\$22,817.14
EAST VALLEY SHELTER "	\$43,388.66	\$3,514.93	\$46,903.59
WEST LA SHELTER "	\$64,021.31	\$4,931.50	\$68,952.81
<b>ON-LINE DONATIONS</b>			
SPECIAL TREATMENT AND RECOVERY (S.T.A.R.) PROGRAM	\$19,333.00	\$11,641.00	\$30,974.00
<b>CHAMELEON DONATIONS</b>			
S.T.A.R. PROGRAM	\$40,820.36	\$64.00	\$40,884.36
FOSTER PROGRAM	\$6,094.87		\$6,094.87
KENNEL PLAQUE SPONSORSHIP	\$37,721.92	\$900.00	\$38,621.92
PUBLIC EDUCATION	\$1,500.00		\$1,500.00
SPECIALIZED MOBILE ANIMAL RESCUE TEAM (S.M.A.R.T.)	\$1,227.41		\$1,227.41
<b>BEST FRIENDS ANIMAL SOCIETY</b>			
Restricted to promote adoptions	\$50,744.00		\$50,744.00
Restricted to adoption ad campaign	\$30,000.00		\$30,000.00
<b>CEQA RELATIVE TO PROPOSED "CAT PROGRAM"</b>			
Best Friends Animal Society	\$0.00		\$0.00
Found Animals	\$0.00		\$0.00
California Community Foundation	\$0.00		\$0.00
ASPCA	\$0.00		\$0.00
<b>ASPCA</b>			
ASPCA GRANT 1 -(CARROLL PETRIE) - pays for pitbulls/chihuahua adoptions	\$89,100.00		\$89,100.00
ASPCA GRANT 3B -NEW HOPE Microchips (8,200 pulls @ \$10/microchip)	\$0.00		\$0.00
<b>GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>\$4,356.87</b>		<b>\$4,356.87</b>
<b>TOTAL RESTRICTED DONATIONS</b>	<b>\$502,014.24</b>	<b>\$33,212.25</b>	<b>\$535,226.49</b>
<b>UNRESTRICTED ESTATE/TRUST DONATIONS</b>			
ROBERT EMERSON ESTATE	\$10,228.24	\$0.00	\$10,228.24
LIZ DOUGLAS ESTATE	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00
NORTHERN TRUST COMPANY-Johnston administrative Trust	\$22,629.31	\$0.00	\$22,629.31
<b>TOTAL UNRESTRICTED ESTATE DONATIONS</b>	<b>\$42,857.55</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$42,857.55</b>
<b>RESTRICTED ESTATE DONATIONS</b>			
MARIE TYNER ESTATE (Maintenance of West Valley shelter)	\$43,242.23	\$0.00	\$43,242.23
AGNES WOOD ESTATE (Maintenance of North Central shelter)	\$112,813.67	\$0.00	\$112,813.67
L.C. MIRABILE ESTATE (Maintenance of SLA shelter)	\$4,316.26	\$0.00	\$4,316.26
SHUSTER/CUNARD ESTATE (Maintenance of East Valley shelter)	\$55,165.68	\$0.00	\$55,165.68
AMELIA PARKER ESTATE (Shelter renovations)	\$7,130.05	\$0.00	\$7,130.05
J.S. ROGERS FOUNDATION S.T.A.R.	16,000.00	\$0.00	\$16,000.00
M.L. PORT LIVING TRUST (Maintenance of WLA shelter)	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00
<b>TOTAL RESTRICTED ESTATE DONATIONS</b>	<b>\$243,667.89</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$243,667.89</b>
<b>TOTAL ESTATE DONATIONS</b>	<b>\$286,525.44</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$286,525.44</b>
<b>TOTAL DONATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS</b>	<b>\$1,943,787.48</b>	<b>\$57,667.47</b>	<b>\$2,001,454.95</b>

**DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL SERVICES**  
**Schedule of Donations and Contributions by Program**  
**Fund 859 - ANIMAL WELFARE TRUST FUND (AWTF)**  
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	July 1- May 31, 2015	June 1-30, 2015	(A + B = C)
<b>Donations &amp; Contributions</b>	<b>YTD Rev (A)</b>	<b>Curr Mo (B)</b>	<b>Total (A + B + C)</b>
Donations -- Community Assistance Fund	\$1,525.50	\$100.00	\$1,625.50
Donations -- <b>Special Treatment And Recovery</b> (STAR)	\$9,754.07	\$64.00	\$9,818.07
Donations -- Kennel Plaque Sponsorship	\$13,609.92		\$13,609.92
Donations -- Foster	\$100.00		\$100.00
Donation-via Direct AWTF Solicitation	\$4,158.36	\$124.00	\$4,282.36
Donation-via Direct STAR Solicitation	\$1,673.99	\$133.83	\$1,807.82
Donations - Grants/Trusts			
Grant - ASPCA <sup>3</sup> (New Hope Adoption Microchips)	\$76,000.00		\$76,000.00
The Northern Trust-Johnston Administrative Trust	\$22,629.31		\$22,629.31
Donations AWTF (\$300 and below)	\$118,649.94	\$58,470.88	\$177,120.82
Online Donations			
Animal Welfare	\$8,728.41	\$17,972.00	\$26,700.41
S.T.A.R	\$9,899.00	\$11,641.00	\$21,540.00
<b>TOTAL DONATIONS</b>	<b>\$266,728.50</b>	<b>\$88,505.71</b>	<b>\$355,234.21</b>



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**Report to the Board of Animal Services Commissioners**

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**COMMISSION MEETING DATE:** August 11, 2015 **PREPARED BY:** Dana Brown

**REPORT DATE:** August 7, 2015

**TITLE:** Assistant General Manager

**SUBJECT:** CHANGES TO THE FREE AND DISCOUNT SPAY/NEUTER CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

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**BOARD ACTIONS RECOMMENDED:**

1. APPROVE inclusion of rabbit sterilizations in the Free Spay/Neuter and Discounted Spay/Neuter Certificate Programs.
2. INCREASE the Free Spay/Neuter Certificate Program voucher from \$70 to \$125 for dogs and rabbits.
3. INCREASE the discount certificate from \$30 to \$50 for dogs and rabbits.
4. APPROVE a supplemental \$50 voucher for the sterilization of shelter animals that have been pre-diagnosed by LAAS veterinarians with pre-existing conditions that require additional services.

**BACKGROUND:**

At its meeting on July 28, 2015, the Board considered an item recommending an increase in low income spay/neuter vouchers from \$70 to \$125. Likewise there was a recommendation to include the sterilization of rabbits in the program. After a lengthy discussion, the Commission asked the Department to report back on the following:

- Separation of species
- Augmenting the discount vouchers
- Increased payments for animals with pre-existing medical conditions such as crypt orchid, pregnancy, and uterine infections.

**SUMMARY:**

It has been determined that the cost for altering cats is far less expensive than for dogs. As such, it is not necessary to increase the current \$70 allowance for cats. Conversely, dogs and rabbits require a higher voucher redemption as these surgeries have increased in cost and are currently beyond the \$70 threshold.

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Similarly, the increase in free vouchers creates a need for increasing discount vouchers. While these vouchers are not intended for low income residents, it is the intent of the Department to encourage residents to spay/neuter their pets. As such, the amount of the discount should be slightly raised to encourage participation.

Animals with pre-existing medical conditions can present complicated, lengthy surgeries. Additionally, medication and post-op care are all areas in which there are associated costs. In an attempt to address these instances with shelter animals that are altered by contract veterinarians, the Department recommends that an additional \$50 voucher be provided to those veterinarians who perform those surgeries.

There is a concern with adequate documentation and verification of pre-existing conditions. The City Controller has strict policies regarding the disbursement of funds for services rendered. As a result, the recommendation is to have LAAS veterinarians pre-diagnose the conditions for which the additional vouchers will be authorized.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The total amount of funds available for animal sterilization for the Department varies year to year. Approximately \$1.1M is allocated to the Animal Sterilization Fund (ASF) as a fixed amount each year with an additional, variable sum added based on donations and licensing surcharges. In FY 14-15, a total of 3150 free spay/neuter vouchers were redeemed for a total of \$220,500. Likewise in FY 14-15, a total of 3189 discount vouchers were redeemed for a total of \$95,670. Unfortunately, we do not have statistics available on how many of each was used on various species. As a result, the fiscal impact cannot be accurately projected.

In an effort to give some perspective to the recommendation, an over estimation could be used by using an "all dog" assumption to calculate costs. Should all \$70 free vouchers from last fiscal year be given at \$125, the increase to the ASF would be \$173,250. Using the same logic, the increase to the ASF for discount vouchers would be \$63,780. This projection totals an increase of \$237,030 to the ASF for one fiscal year.

Approved:



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**Brenda Barnette, General Manager**

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#### **BOARD ACTION:**

_____ Passed	Disapproved _____
_____ Passed with noted modifications	Continued _____
_____ Tabled	New Date _____